"One quart of whisky," says an exchange with a taste for figures, "should weigh just two pounds." Why is it, then, that less than a quart often constitutes such an awful load?

It is now assured that the insurance companies will be able to pay in full the losses in the Baltimore fire. The policies were wisely distributed, and no one company suffers a crushing blow. This is good news for the entire country.

A Boston paper says that one should "smile just as one is going to sleep." Now, how can that be done? Nobody can tell the exact instant he is going to sleep, and the effort of holding the face in readiness would keep anybody awake Try some easier plan.

The shah of Persia knitted a pair of silk hose with his own hands and presented them to King Edward, of England. It will be remembered that the shah recently got rid of several dozen of his wives, and he has had to attend to the knitting and sewing himself since that time.

This new preparation fluorescin, which has the X-ray beaten a mille or more, and reveals a man's internal anatomy as if he were made of glass, ought to prove a great boon to dyspeptics. With its aid, no doubt, they will be able to see just what it is in their stomachs that feels like a brick.

There has arisen a doctor who gravely announces that leg grafting is possible. Millionaires who lose their legs will find that good healthy ones cost much more than ears, however. It is probable that this form of grafting will never grow as popular or as profitable as some other varieties.

"Alcohol made from sawdust is already a commercial success." announces a trade journal. Of course it is. Alcohol made from anything under the sun would meet a ready sale. Whisky made of prune juice, tobacco and rain water is sold by the barrel-the only requirement is that it shall "do the business."

A newspaper reader asks why it is that the war news nowadays makes such uninteresting reading, in contrast to the graphic stories we have been used to in former wars. The answer is that all the newspaper correspondents are "bottled up" in Tokio and other points distant from the front, and that even their meager reports are mercilessly censored.

How often the ugly little despised things turn out to be agents for good, and-but that is very trite, of course. Nevertheless, it may be noticed that Jones falls saved the residence portion of Baltimore from destrction. And Jones falls has been an eyesore to the city for many years-its existence deplored as an ugly blot marring the beauty of the surroundings.

It is interesting and significant that Admiral Uriu, the Japanese officer who won the victory at Chemulpo, is a graduate of the United States naval academy at Annapolis. He was in the class of 1881, and is only 41 years of age, though his advancement has been won by his merit alone. It is not so well known that his wife is a graduate of Vassar college. The pair furnishes a type of culture and progress in "New Japan."

There is a man on exhibition at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York city who has an appetite that demands 20 hearty meals a day. "This wonderful man," explained the college professor to the students, "has stenosis of the excophagus with an oesphageal diverticulum." Twenty meals a day should satisfy even a ticklehim like that, but the wonder is that a man with such an encumbrance can hustle around sufficiently to get the 26 meals.

Radium had done nothing new for several days, so it was a distinct relief yesterday to read that the University of Michigan had added to the achievements of the modern miracle. It appears that If a tube of radium is put in a bucket of water and kept there over night the water will thereafter be a cure for cancer. lupus and the morphine nabit. Something like this was needed to offset the disappointing news that radium would not determine sex nor blow up battleships, after all.

The ratification of the Panama canal treaty by the senate closes one of the longest discussions of a public question that has ever occurred in this country and paves the way for important action by the executive. In his last annual message President Roosevelt said: "For 400 years, ever since shortly after the discovery of this hemisphere, a canal across the isthmus has been planned and for two score years it has been worked at." Now at last it is to be constructed. The vote in the senate means the opening of a new page in history.

Count Meppelin, of Germany, has started in again on airship construction, having received \$112,000 from equally enthusiastic believers in the possibility of aerial navigation. The count and Thomas A. Edison seem to be the leading minds in the advocacy of this sort of experiment, though Mr. Edison has not given much time to the matter personally. He asserts, however, that navigating the air will yet be practicable, but he thinks it well to search for some new principle to be applied to flying machines. He does not regard imitation of birds as feasible.

People who are familiar with mountain scenery are aware that the greatness of a mountain appears to increase as the spectator recedes from it and that a mountain appears greatest when seen from the summits of surrounding mountains. So it is with the greatness of George Washington, who to thoughtful people appears greater and greater with every returning anniversary of his birthday. Washington's natalday ought to be celebrated as long at least as the American constitution endures. Woe be to this country if ever in its conceit It turns its back on Washington.

Potosi Journal. A GENERAL ORDER

Garrison at Port Arthur Warned to Fight to the Death.

NO SURRENDER IS THE WORD

Japan, Gen. Stoessel Says, Considers The Capture of the Fortress a Question of National Honor--There is No Way Out When It Comes to the Tug of War.

Port Arthur, Sunday, Feb. 28.-Gen. Stoessel, commander of the garrison here, has issued a general order directing the attention of the troops and inhabitants to the fact that the Japanese intend to land and seize the fortress. The general declares that Japan considers the seizure of Port Arthur to be a question of national honor, and from their obstinate attacks and bombardments of the fortress and bays he can only conclude that the enemy will make every effort to capture the fortress, failing which the Japanese will destroy the railroad and with-

"The enemy, however," proceeds the general order, "is mistaken. Our troops know and the inhabitants are herewith informed by me that we will not yield. We must fight to the finish, as I, the commandant, will never give an order to surrender. I call on all to become convinced of the necessity of fighting to the death. Those who leave without fighting will not save themA SECRET ALLY OF JAPAN.

Expected That China Will Eventually Become an Open Enemy.

St. Petersburg, March 1.-Discussing the attitude of China the Sviet says it considers China is a secret allay of Japan and that, "like America and Great Britain, she will do everything possible to injure Russia."

The Sviet anticipates that China eventually will become an open enemy, and says the Russian authorities in the far east are already taking precautionary measures to ward off any sudden attack on the part of the Chinese.

RUSSIAN SCOUTS REPULSED.

Japanese Infantry Drove Back t Body of Russian Scouts.

Che Foo, March 1.-The Twentyninth Japanese infantry, occupying Ping Yang, midway between Seoul and the Yalu river, on Sunday met a body of Russian cavalry scouts north of Ping Yang and drove them back.

It is estimated that 69,000 Japanese transports now are not escorted by war vessels.

The Japanese sailors who manned the merchant vessels which were sunk at Port Arthur, on landing here. shaved their heads as a mark of the disgrace they felt at the failure of the project. The crew of the Jinsen Mara nuese withdrew in good order, wrote their names on the foremast flag which remained above water when the ship went down.

CROSSING LAKE BAIKAL.

Russian Troops Crossing the Frozen Lake Under Fair Conditions,

JAPS FINISH THE PORT ARTHUR FLEET

Cripple Two Russian Cruisers and Sink Torpedo Boat In Attack.

TO STORM THE FORT BY LAND

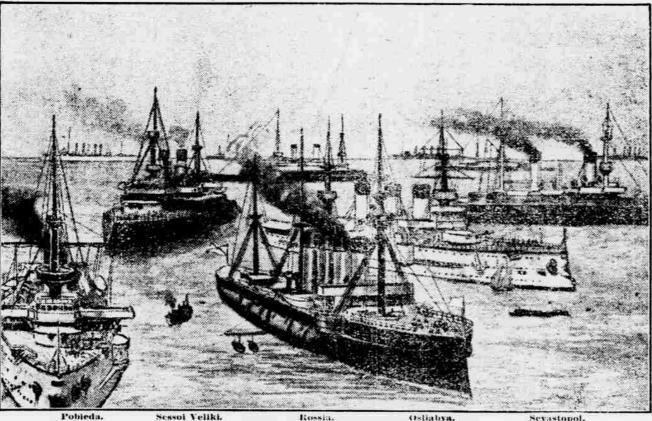
liours, the Japanese Withdrawing In Perfect Order After Destruction of Russian Picet.

Loadon, March 1 .- A dispatch to the Daily Telegraph from 1 in Kow, dated February 29, says:

Fifteen Japanese warships furiously bombarded Fort Arthur from 10 until 12 o'clock this morning. The Russian croisers Novik, Askold and troops have landed at Chemulpo. The Bayan, accompanied by four torpedo boats, steamed out to meet the attack. They were, however, forced to retire. The Askold was in a sinking condition. The Novik was badly damaged, and a torpedo bont was sunk. The Russian battleship Retvizen was again damaged. The Jap-

> ANOTHER PORT ARTHUR ATTACK. Japs Did Not Allow Fort Guns to Get

Their Range. London, March ! .- The pause in the war operations in the far east has been broken by another Japanese at-Myssowa, Siberia, March 1.-Cross- tack on Port Arthur, after which only ing over Lake Baikal for those not the foregoing brief account is yet to going by the ice railroad is comfor- hand. This report, however, shows



TYPES OF RUSSIAN FLEET.

selves. There is no way out. three sides there is the sea and on the bursts are warm barracks with tea tactics of the Japanese, and it is prefourth will be the enemy. There is no and hot food for the soldlers, who sumed that this attack was made in means of escape except by fighting." Notwithstanding the heavy gale which is blowing the lights of Japanese scouting vessels were visible in the

offering during the night. PORT ARTHUR AND SEBASTOPOL.

Parallel Pointed Out Between the

Iwo Great Fortifications. St. Petersburg, March 1.-The Novoe Vremya publishes a remarkable editorial on the parallel between Port Arthur and Sebastopol, pointing out that the ports are identically situated Golden Hill corresponding to the Malakoff, Dalny to Eupatoria, Admiral Alexieff Nachimoff and the Retvizan to the Tria Sviatitelia. The editorial, however, warns the Russians to abjure fatalist beliefs. Although written without knowledge of Gen. Stoessel's equally remarkable general order, issued at Port Arthur, Sunday, the Novoe Vremya's editorial comes as a strong reinforcement of its purport, that Port Arthur must in no case be surrendered. Both seem to foreshadow a siege of Port Arthur and a bombardment, which a dispatch from Liao Yang says it is removed at New Chwang will occur Tuesday. Official opinion continued to be that Japan will make no attempt to invest Port Arthur, although it is added that they evidently are determined to force matters as rapidly as possible. In 1891 they landed on the northern part of the peninsula and the Chinese made no resistance, still it took 28 days before Port Arthur was really invested. The object of the Japanese now may be to avoid this preliminary delay by disembacking their troops at Pigeon Bay. "If they do," said a naval expert, "they will meet with opposition which will render their plan impracticable."

THE JAPANESE ARE WARY.

Their First Endeavor is to Gain the

Lino-Tung Peninsula. New York, March 1.-It would appear assured that the Japanese will not commit themselves to a general plan of campaign entailing marching through Corea without at first endeavoring, says a Times dispatch from Chemulpo, to gain possession of the Liao-Tung peninsula.

The approach of warmer weather indicates the gradual breaking up of the roads. There is a report that the troops south of Seoul find marching laborous. This circumstance, together with the fact that Chinampho will be open in 14 days, doubtless explains the Iull in disembarkation.

Between Ping Yang and Sun-Chen there is a tract of comparatively level country. The hills starting at the will not end until not a single Japsouthern border constitute a strategical position of some value now partially occupied by Japanese, whose numbers are daily augmented. Presumably the London and Washington, which have troops as they are landed, will close up realized Japan's subjugation of neuto this point and intrench it as a protection for the projected base, Chin-

ampo. Disembarkation, believed to be on a small scale, is taking place on the coast line, immediately south of Hai-Ju, whence the troops will advance parallel with the Pekin road, joining those in the neighborhood of Hwang-Ju, thus effecting a gain of five days in repair the damages which they have the march.

On tably organized. At every seven only a repetition of the now familia: easily march over in one day, the baggage and food having been conveyed advices having reported a severe gale by horses drawing trucks. In the raging at Port Arthur. As usual did middle of the lake are stands and not remain long enough off the harbor refreshment room for officers and ci- to enable the gunners at the forts to vilians driving across in sleds. Tele- set their range. Again also, the same phones connect the barracks with three cruisers, the Bayan, the Askold the shore stations. The weather is and the Novik came out to meet the fine but very cold.

VLADIVOSTOK IS BLOCKADED.

Confirmation Can Not Be Obtained.

But It Is Considered Probable. St. Petersburg, March 1 .- Direct confirmation of the report from Hakodate that Viadivostok is blockaded by the Japanese vessels can not be obtained here, but is considered not improbable. During the Japanese landing operations in Corea the Russian dently scouts, appeared Monday mornwarships to the north were a con- ing to the northward of the town. The stant menace, and blockading them Japanese outposts opened fire from a would be the most effective means range of 1700 metres and the Rusof securing non-interference. Furthermore, it is worthy of note that for more than one week no word has been allowed to come from Vlalivostok It is presumed there were none, on and this in itself seems strong presumptive evidence that important events are transpiring.

The report from Liau Yang, Manthe Novoe Vremya, has created a prothan was anticipated.

BY ORDER OF THE CZAR.

British Conl Laden Steamers Released By Order of the Czar, Suez, March 1.-The Russian

cruiser Aurora, with five torpedo boats, has arrived here. The British coal laden steamers Ettrickdale (from Barry, February 3, for Sabang) and Frankby (from Barry, February 3, for Hong Kong) and

the Norwegian steamer Matilda (from Penarth, January 30, for Sasebo), also laden with coal, captured by the squadron in the Red sea, have been released by order of the ezar.

RUSSIA SEEMS CONFIDENT.

Says War Will Not End While a Single Japanese Is Alive in Corea. St. Petersburg, March 1.-The

Bourse Gazette says: "There is no reed for alarm over the blockade of Port Arthur. The war anese is left alive in Corea. The successes of the Russian arms will reas sert the international laws defied by tral Corea."

Despite Efforts to Conceal. St. Petersburg, March 1.-The Courier de Tien Tsin says that in spite of Japanese measures to conceal their losses it is known that the battleship rashima and cruisers Asama and Tok iwah have been towed to Nagasaki to sustained.

bad weather previous to telegraphic attack, and this suggests that either they were the only effective ships there or that the larger battleships were unable to get out

FIRST BATTLE ON LAND. Japanese Outposts at Ping Yang

Onen Fire On Russian Infantry. Tokio, March L.-The first shots of the war on land were exchanged Monday at Ping Yang. A small detachment of Russian infantry exisians retired.

The telegram reporting the incident fails to mention any causalties. account of the small number of men engaged, and the distance separating the opposing armies

It is reported here that there will churia, that the Japanese fleet has be a small engagement soon somereceived orders to attack and cap- where in northern Corea, where the ture Port Arthur on March 1 at all Russians are scouting over an excosts, coupled with the comparison of tended area, close to the Japanese Port Arthur and Sevastapol made by positions, but a general engagement is not expected to occur for some found impression, and has added to time. The Russian force south of the the belief that the Japanese possibly Yalu river is inconsiderable, its greatintend to commence land and sea op- est strength seeming to be in the vierations against Port Arthur sooner cinity fo Wiju. North of the Yalu the Russian army is constantly increasing in numbers and is being mobilized. but the chances of it assuming the cffensive are slight. Japan is constantly strengthening its position and increasing its force in Corea.

All Quiet at Harbin.

Harbin, March 1.-This town to quiet and one Chinese are working willingly, providing for the Russian community and collecting considerable sums for the hospital trains which are being prepared. The wo men sit up nights working.

To Attack Port Arthur Again. Liao Tung, Manchuria, March 1 .--Foreigners living at Yin Kow say that the Japanese fleet has received orders to attack and capture Port Arthur on March 1 at all costs.

Craising Westward of Colombo, Colombo, Island of Ceylon, March -One of the vessels of the Russian volunteer cruiser fleet is reported to be craising 370 miles to the westward | Louis-Kansas City line of the Rock of Colombo.

Carriage Workers Strike Ended. Chicago, March 1.-Fifteen hundred locked-out carriage and wagon workers Monday accepted a proposal made them by employers whose shops have been tied up for six weeks. The men were granted an increase of four per cent, over the scale paid before the lockout.

British Flagship Ashore. Victoria, B. C., March 1.-It is reported here that H. M. S. Bonaventure, the new flagship of the North Pacific squadron on route from Portsmouth to Esquimault, is ashore on the South

************* NEWS FROM MISSOURL +++++++++++++++++++

A state teachers' college was formally established at Missouri university

at Columbia. The republican chairmen and secretaries of the different county committees will meet at Kansas City on March

The name of Tower Grove M. E

church at St. Louis will be changed to Wagoner Memorial M. E. church, in honor of H. H. Wagoner, whose benefactions enabled the congregation to erect a new edifice. State Superintendent of Public

Schools William T. Carrington is urging the adoption of county supervision, and is sending out a letter to the school officers of those counties which have determined to submit the proposition to the voters. The Kinloch Long Distance Tele-

phone company, of St. Louis, filed a statement of increase of capital stock with Mr. Cook, secretary of state, from \$300,000 to \$5,000,000. The company proposes to extend its lines to all parts of the United States.

Three negro convicts who were employed as trusties at the power house at the penitentiary escaped. They probably got away on a passing freight train, for the bloodhounds placed on their trail were able to trace no further than the railroad yards.

A motion for a new trial in the Fleetwood Gordon murder case has been made at Columbia. If the motion is overruled an appeal will be taken. Gordon, who is a young attorney, was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

Ex-State Senator M. R. Smith, of St. Francois county, until recently reporter for the St. Louis court of appeals, will be a candidate for the democratic congressional nomination in the Thirteenth district against Congressman Ed Robb, who desires to succeed him-

John Burnet and his family, residing in Cedar City, on the north bank of the Missouri river, opposite Jefferson City, were chloroformed and robbed of \$250. This robbery was discovered when the neighbors entered the house and found all the family asleep. A physician was called in and aroused the family.

Arch Morgan shot and instantly filled John Denny and deadly wounded Denny's son, James, a boy 18 years of age, three miles south of Stratford. It seems Morgan had been boarding with Denny, and, getting in arrears, his trunk was seized to secure the board bill. This brought on a quarrel, culminating in the shooting.

Gov. Dockery announced the appointment of T. L. Baskett to be recorder of deeds for Putnam county, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Martin Coleman. This is the fourth appointment made by the governor for Putnam county since his inauguration, in each instance a democrat succeeding a republican.

A case involving an entire Pettis county neighborhood has been sent to Sedalia on change of venue for trial March 1. J. J. Porter, of Heath Creek township, secured a warrant and caused the arrest of Jesse Presley and Guerney King, charging them with disturbing the peace of his daughter on the public highway by calling her a liar.

W. L. P. Burney, of Harrisonville, will become a candidate for the republican nomination for congress in the Sixth district. Since his annonncement a number of republicans whose names have been mentioned in connection with the nomination have withdrawn from the contest, leaving a clear field for Mr. Burney. The majority for DeArmond two years ago

was 2500 Prof. B. L. Seawell, of the department of biology of the state normal school at Warrensburg, has received a liberal grant from the Elizabeth Thompson science fund, of Boston, which will be used to promote his research upon the taxonomy of freshwater lakes in relation to fish foods and water supplies. Prof. Seawell is now working upon these biological problems at Pertle Springs lakes,

The corps of engineers reached Marshall surveying the route of the Missouri Central railway, the new electric line from St. Louis to Kansas City, from Glasgow, where the line enters Saline county to Marshall. The grade will be about one-fifth of one per cent. The richest section of Saline county will be traversed by this railway and already farm lands along the proposed line have increased in value.

There is a move toward the raising of municipal salaries at St. Louis from the mayor's down. The mayor now gets \$5,000 a year. It ought to be worth, let's see, about \$300,000 a year to stand all that a mayor has to stand. But there are people who will take the place for less. This is a hard world, and if you have been brought up properly inured to hardship and trouble, tribulation and grief, you won't mind being mayor for the frugal won't mind being mayor for the frugal salary that is paid.

Rev. David Hogan, 92 years old, a native Missourian, who had been an ordained Presbyterian minister more than 60 years, died at his home near Deerfield. He married 1,003 couples in his ministry.

The republicans of Benton county instructed for D. Brunjes, of Warsaw, for congress in the Seventh district. and resolutions were passed asking Mr. Brunjes to select his own delegates to the convention. The three-span bridge east of Wind-

for has been completed on the St. Island route. Just 15 years later to the minute

Mrs. Carrie Miller, of 2942 Belleview, Kansas City, followed her husband in death. Adam Miller, the husband, at the time of his death was a farmer. R. L. Ceishat, of Tipton, offers to the world's fair relics of George Washington in the shape of a facsimile of his

family record, dating back to 1533, a watch charm, seal and other emblems. Friends of Congressman W. D. Vandiver announce that he will return from Washington about March 1. He contemplates spending some time in canvassing the state. He is Folk's manager.

DOCTORS FALL IN LINE.

Practicing Physicians recognize the unfailing reliability of Doan's Kidney Pills by Prescalbing them for Backache, Kidney, Bladder and Urinary Disorders a tribute won by no other Proprietary Medicine. Four cases cited from "Notes of His Practice," by Dr. Leland Williamson, of Yorktown, Ark.

FOSTER-MILBURN Co., Buffalo, N. Y. YORKTOWN, ARK., Mar. I, 1904. Gentlemen:-I have been engaged in the practice of medicine in this section for ten years. This is a very sickly climate, on the Bayou Bartholomew, near the Arkansas River. It is particularly malarious and miasmatic; we meet with many and various abnormal conditions of the human family, prominent among the cases in which I have been called upon to prescribe is kidney disease. Many of these disorders manifest themselves by pains in the back, often extending to other parts of the body; sometimes headache is present, caused by uræmic or chronic uric acid poisoning, soreness in region of kidneys, cloudy, thickened and foulsmelling urine, discharges of pus or corruption; inflammation of the kidneys, extending to the bladder, is caused by excess of uric acid and decomposition of urine. Hemorrhage is sometimes met with, caused by high state of inflammation or congestion.

There is no class of diseases a doctor is called oftener to treat than the variety of kidney diseases, in many of which the patient will have chills or rigors, followed by fever, a result of the kidneys failing to climinate the uric acid poison from the system. Such cases require the kidneys restored to their natural functions, then the poison and foreign substances are removed-shock to the nervous system averted, and natural health restored.

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CASE 1.

THOS, ORELL, Bear, Ark., age 60, Pain back for several weeks, then chills, irregular sometimes, severe rigors, followed by fever. Gave good purgative of calomel and padoph, and Doan's Kidney Pills. After taking four boxes of the pills, patient up and enjoying good health for one of his age.

CASE 2.

Mrs. SMITH, Tarry, Ark., age 29, mother of four children. Had female complaint and kidney trouble, manifest by Lain in back and urine irregular; sometimes very clear, changing to cloudy, and with much sediment on standing in chamber. Gave local treat-ment for female complaint and prescribed Doan's Pills; after using six boxes she regards herself as cured.

BROWN EARS, Wynne, Ark., age 21, had severe case of malarial homataria. or swamp fever. Gave necessary liver medicine, calomel and padoph, and morph.-sulph., to relieve pain, and ordered Doan's Pills for the high state of congestion and inflammation of the kidneys, Recovery resulted in two weeks, Prescribed Doan's Kidney Pills,

CASE 4.

ELIJAH ELLIOTT, Tarry, Ark., age 34, Pain in back and legs and headache. Uric-acid poisoning. Prescribed Doan's Kidney Pills. After taking several boxes pain subsided—urine became normal, or natural, and patient able to resume his work.

to be continued until the kidneys were

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